

McKinley PTO Meeting Notes - 2/15/22

Officers Present:

Colette Edson, Chair
Eleanor White, Secretary
Jennifer Anania, Treasurer
Tiffany Tibbs, Fundraising Chair
Jessica Shatto, Yearbook Chair
Johnni Walker, McKinley High School PTO President

McKinley Administrators: Dr. Holloway, Principal

Others: About 8 other parents

Notes: Eleanor

1. Call to order - Eleanor White - 6:32 p.m.
2. Financials - Jennifer Anania
 - a. No major changes
 - b. Several teacher grants have come in, one is currently processing
 - c. Yearbook ad funds are coming in
 - d. Have met all fundraising goals for the year
 - e. SLPS Foundation info is up to date
 - f. Thanks to Tiffany/Jennifer for PTO tax donation letters
3. Proposal to shift \$500 from Beautification budget to "teacher grants" to fund facility needs as identified by the administration - **approved unanimously**
4. Proposal to reallocate some funds from other areas toward Teacher Appreciation - Will consider next month when we have better idea about what funds may be left over
5. Teacher grants - teachers are aware of grant opportunities
 - a. Ms. Licklider got 1 year online subscription to Razz Kids for Spanish language ebooks
 - b. Ms. Stortzum - popcorn bar for 6th grade before winter break, table tennis games for force/motion lesson
 - c. Mr. Ferge - wireless keyboard and mouse, bluetooth speakers
 - d. Ms. Graneto - \$200 in books for class library - still to be funded
 - e. Teachers can pool funds to buy something for whole grade level, and there are separate funds for field trips
6. Admin Update - Dr. Holloway
 - a. Sports - as of now, no more need for covid testing - just need a physical

- b. Field trips are now possible - everybody can go, regardless of vax status
- c. 8th grade - want own dance and field trip
- d. 6th grade - want field trip and pizza party
- e. St. Patrick's Day will be surprise Teen Town - right after school - 2:45-6:00ish
 - i. PTO encouraged school to share needs w/ parents so they can help out w/ supplies, chaperoning, set up/clean up
- f. Hiring Principal
 - i. Dr. Holloway was hired as interim
 - ii. We will have to go through full hiring process, he will apply but anticipates lots of others will as well
 - iii. Hiring process will probably wrap up by end of March
- g. Have worked w/ staff to set full club/sports calendar/schedule
 - i. Difficult because they are doing it voluntarily - only athletics get extra compensation
 - 1. Can PTO provide generous thank yous to these staff?
 - ii. Kids want a cooking club - need to get pots/pans, fix stove
- h. Attendance is great - best in the district for middle school - 89-90%
- i. Spring sports - QR sign up codes all around school and include in morning announcements daily
- j. Morning drop off traffic - have sent request to district, but currently all hands on desk with staffing in morning. Will send out flyers to everyone again.
 - i. Hopefully as weather warms, maybe staff will be more available
 - ii. If it's the same people repeatedly dropping kids off unsafely, maybe some staff could come in early for a week or two to support safe drop off
 - iii. Johnni will check w/ someone she knows who runs crossing guard program
- k. New counselor is excited and has been working to get to know kids
 - i. Colette - Duke TIP Program - in the past, school participated to help identify kids who qualify for taking the ACT or SAT early and have scores sent to colleges - can counselor look into this as an option?
- l. Staffing - has put request for next year for more math and social studies teachers at the high school level, as well as making the dance teacher full-time - would allow more electives, etc.
 - i. But still have social worker as vacancy, and nurse is also out on leave
 - 1. Resulting in Care Team delays

- m. Kid emails - please remind your kids that all emails sent within the school system are monitored and will be flagged for any language that is violent or threatening
- n. Lunch issues - a parent reports that there are times when the lunch line gets too long and they run out of time to get lunch/eat
 - i. Can kids stay later if they are at the end of the line? Yes.
 - ii. Dr. Holloway will look into it - may have been due to staffing shortage
- 7. Grade level activities
 - a. Now that we know the district has loosened restrictions, we can do more
 - b. Will be 8th grade dance and graduation
- 8. Schoolwide activities
 - a. Ice skating at Steinberg on Sun. 2/27 - 10:00-11:00
 - i. Eleanor to send out info
 - b. Trivia night - Eleanor to identify people who volunteered at prior meeting
 - c. Family picnic day in a park at end of April?
 - i. Molly Koebbe to look into park rental possibilities
- 9. Membership Toolkit reminder
- 10. Yearbook reminder - collecting photos until 3/4/22
- 11. Adjournment - 7:26 p.m.

See next page for financials.

McKinley PTO 2021-22	Starting Balance (7/1/2021)		\$ 30,729.39
INCOME	Fundraising Goal (100%)	Funds Raised Over Budget	YTD Totals
Fund Drive (direct to PTO)			\$ 9,853.00
Fund Drive (through SLPS Found.)			\$ 11,333.38
Yearbook ads			\$ 635.00
Coca-Cola Gives (BOA)			\$ -
Box Tops/eScrips			\$ -
Interest Earned			\$ 0.58
Total Income	\$ 23,200.00	\$ (1,378.04)	\$ 21,821.96
EXPENSES	Budget	Remaining	YTD Totals
Class of 2020 (8th grade)	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
Class of 2021 (7th grade)	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,912.00	\$ 588.00
Class of 2022 (6th grade)	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -
Enrichment - All Grades	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 300.00
Student Recognition	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
Teacher appreciation	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,222.12	\$ 577.88
Diversity & Inclusion	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ -
Beautification	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Yearbooks	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
Teacher/Classroom grants	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,649.48	\$ 350.52
PTO expenses	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 913.09	\$ 86.91
Total Expenses	\$ 23,200.00	\$ 21,296.69	\$ 1,903.31
Approved Using Prior Years' Funds	Approved	Remaining	Spent
Carryover/Summer 2021-22 Expense	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
Families in Need Gift Cards	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ (1,500.00)
PPE Needs (carryover balance)	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ (250.00)
SLPS Foundation - Reverse PY Donation (wrong fund)			\$ (800.00)
NET CHANGE (July 2021-June 2022):			\$ 17,618.65
Ending Balance as of:		2/14/2022	\$ 48,098.04
Balance Summary	2/14/2022		
SLPS Foundation Holding Account:			
- 860 McKinley Balance	\$ 32,111.68	last update 12/31	
- SLPS Pending Deposits	\$ 75.00		
US Bank:			
- Checking Account Balance	\$ 25,960.86		
- Outstanding Items	\$ (49.50)		
- CJA Wyman Funds (restricted use)	\$ (10,000.00)		
Total Balance Available	\$48,098.04		